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SECOND MEDIAN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT BEGINS ON EUCLID AVENUE

Ontario – The Department of Transportation, Caltrans, is scheduled to begin work on a second safety improvement project on Wednesday, October 18, 2006 at the intersection of Euclid Avenue (SR-83) and Carlton Street.

To expedite the project and to insure the safety of motorists and workers, the north bound and south bound number one lane will be closed Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM for the duration of the project. This project is scheduled to last approximately 20 days. Closure signs will be posted prior to the construction area to advise motorists of the lane closures.

The city of Ontario has seen significant growth over the years. This growth has resulted in increased traffic patterns. The improvement project will help to provide the community with a safer and more streamlined commute on this heavily traveled route. This permanent safety improvement will require motorists to utilize either Mission Boulevard to the north or Maitland Street to the south to cross State Route 83. Once completed, the new median will be comprised of concrete curbing and landscaping that will blend with the existing landscape that reflects the community's character.

Caltrans recently completed a similar median improvement at Euclid Avenue and California Street. An additional safety improvement project on Euclid Avenue is scheduled to begin in April 2007. This safety improvement project will signalize the intersection of Euclid Avenue and "E" Street. Completion of this project will improve operational efficiency and improve safety for motorists traveling on Euclid Avenue.

Caltrans encourages motorists to merge early and use caution while driving through the construction area. For updates on Riverside and San Bernardino county state highway work, please go to our website at www.caltrans8.info and click on "Press Releases" or call (909) 383-4631 for information.





